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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Ulrich Fotheringham et al.) Group:
Serial No. 09/936,916)
Filed: November 26, 2001) Examiner:
Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE)
HOMOGENOUS HEATING OF GLASS)
AND/OR GLASS-CERAMIC ARTICLES)
USING INFRARED RADIATION)

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT DELETING
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS**

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Prior to calculating the filing fee, please enter the following amendments to the application.

IN THE CLAIMS

In claim 3, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 or 2" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.
In claim 4, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 to 3" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.
In claim 5, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 to 4" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.
In claim 9, line 1, delete "one of claims 8 to 8" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.
In claim 11, line 1, delete " or 10".
In claim 12, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 11" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.
In claim 13, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 12" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.
In claim 14, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 13" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.
In claim 17, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 16" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
In claim 21, line 1, delete "one of claims 16 to 20" and substitute therefor --claim 16--.
In claim 22, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 21" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
In claim 24, line 1, delete " or 23".
In claim 25, line 1, delete "one of claims 22 to 24" and substitute therefor --claim 22--.
In claim 26, line 1, delete "one of claims 22 to 25" and substitute therefor --claim 22--.
In claim 27, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
In claim 28, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
In claim 29, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
In claim 30, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.